## TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



## CORRECTED FISCAL NOTE HB 1382 - SB 1493

March 19, 2009

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Exempts from petroleum tax any fuel used by an independent contractor under contract with a local education agency for providing transportation services.

#### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

On March 10, 2009, we issued a fiscal note for this bill indicating a *decrease* to state revenue of \$65,300 from the Highway Fund. Based on additional information provided by the Department of Education, the fiscal impact for this bill is estimated as follows:

# (CORRECTED) Decrease State Revenue - \$1,000,000/Highway Fund

### **Assumptions:**

- According to the Department of Education (DOE), there are 26 counties who contract with local education agencies for transportation services.
- According to DOE, there are 2,283 buses utilized under such contracts.
- DOE indicates the average number of miles driven per bus is 73 per day.
- DOE indicates a 180-day school year.
- The cumulative number of miles driven by all buses is estimated to be 29,998,600 per year  $(2,283 \times 73 \times 180 = 29,998,620)$ .
- DOE indicates that such buses average six miles per gallon.
- The number of gallons of fuel that would become exempt from gasoline tax is estimated to be 4,999,767 per year (29,998,600 / 6 = 4,999,767).
- The decrease of gasoline tax revenue is estimated to be \$1,000,000 per year  $(4,999,767 \times $0.20 = $999,953)$ .
- Gasoline tax is apportioned to the Highway Fund.

### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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